

## Senate Resolution 113 - Introduced

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 113

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1 A Resolution recognizing the life and work of musician  
2 and radio broadcaster Bob Dorr.

3 WHEREAS, Bob Dorr is a renowned Iowa bandleader,  
4 musician, and public radio show host whose career spans  
5 over 40 years; and

6 WHEREAS, Bob Dorr began his career in music  
7 broadcasting on October 2, 1972, as an undergraduate  
8 student at the University of Northern Iowa and student  
9 broadcaster for the KUNI radio station; and

10 WHEREAS, Bob Dorr has been a bandleader for over  
11 40 years, with 36 years leading, singing, and playing  
12 multiple instruments in Iowa's beloved Blue Band,  
13 which has traversed the nation and recorded over 25  
14 albums and has performed for 34 years at the Iowa State  
15 Fair; and

16 WHEREAS, Bob Dorr has hosted radio shows on Iowa  
17 Public Radio spanning every genre from classical  
18 to rock and blues to folk, including shows such as  
19 Progression, Folkways 1, Folkways 2, and Collage, and  
20 is currently in his 8th year of hosting "Blue Avenue",  
21 in his 40th year of hosting "Beatles Medley", and in  
22 his 38th year of hosting the iconic "Backtracks"; and

23 WHEREAS, Bob Dorr was twice inducted into the Iowa  
24 Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame, first for his radio career  
25 in 2000, and then for his role as leader of the Blue  
26 Band in 2007, and was also inducted into the Iowa Blues  
27 Hall of Fame in 2005 and the Quad Cities Blues Hall of  
28 Fame on March 11, 2018; NOW THEREFORE,

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate  
2 hereby recognizes musician and radio broadcaster Bob  
3 Dorr as an Iowa icon, extends its profound gratitude  
4 for his lifelong dedication to, and uncommon impact  
5 on, the cultural landscape and history of the State  
6 of Iowa, and exhorts the people of Iowa to always  
7 remember and appreciate his generous and prodigious  
8 contribution in the form of musical composition, live  
9 music performance, artistic entrepreneurship, and radio  
10 broadcasting.